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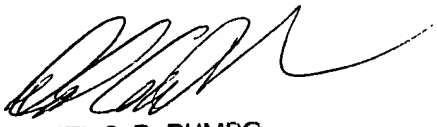
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1. The outcome of Interference Nos. I104,311-I104,318 has a material bearing on the patentability of the claims in this application. Prosecution in this application is **SUSPENDED** pending a final judgment in the interference.

Applicant should call this case up for action upon termination of the interference.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel G. DePumpo whose telephone number is (703) 308-1113.



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